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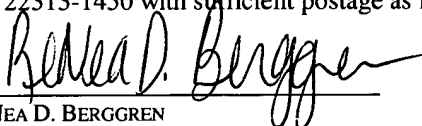
Inventor application of : Singh
Serial No. : 10/647,863
Filed : August 25, 2003
Art Unit : 2826
Examiner : Alexander O. Williams
Title : A ZERO CAPACITANCE BOND PAD UTILIZING ACTIVE
NEGATIVE CAPACITANCE

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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 18, 2006

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RENE D. BERGGREN

DATED: AUGUST 7, 2006

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action of May 18, 2006, for which the two month shortened statutory period for reply is set to expire on July 18, 2006. A Petition for one month extension of time along with the requisite fee accompanies this response. While it is believed that no further extension of time or any other additional fees are necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to grant any needed extension of time and to charge any additional fees which may be required for this Response, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-2252.

Consideration of the Amendments and Remarks that follow is respectfully requested.

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 18, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.